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DATA PROCESSING METHOD, DATA

PROCESSING APPARATUS,

LICENSE SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1-24, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: